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Lakehead Amateur Radio Club

*The original minutes for the period during which Kim Fernie - VE3EFW was Secretary Treasurer are not available. This record and others have been copied from High-Q, Jim - VE3UA.*

The first meeting of the new season got under way on September 12, at 8:15 pm, with a pitifully small group. Those interested were:

Les Harris - VE3AYZ	Robert Browning - VE3EEM
Kim Fernie - VE3EFW	Bill Goodfellow - VE3GOD
Ray Forslund - VE3EDZ	Bill Klemacki - VE3EEW
Jim "JC" Bailey - VE3DGZ	Don Brown - VE3EDJ
Stan Chorley - VE3ECR	

Right from the start, the planned elections for a board of Directors had to be cancelled as there were not enough (*attending*) to vote them into office. Once again, nominated were:

Peter Boyle - VE3DPJ	Frank Start - VE3AJ; and
Robert Browning - VE3EEM	Ray Forslund - VE3EDZ
Fred Lawrence - VE3EET	

Some discussion took place regarding the availability of the HW-12A for searches. After an exchange of ideas, it was moved that the rig be kept at (*the shack of*) Bill Klemacki - VE3EEW until such time that a suitable location could be found which would be acceptable to all concerned.

Bill Roberts - VE3ARN was reconfirmed as Search Commander - Radio. All calls for the call up will be directed by Bill.

A revised list of search volunteers has to be organized, as the present listings are out dated (in one year). This was also put into abeyance. The October meeting will be used to organize this aspect.

It was moved by Kim Fernie - VE3EFW that the Club Manuals be printed up again in the necessary numbers to provide those interested parties with as many copies as they desire at \$2.00 each. The Dryden Club is one interested group. This was seconded by Stan Chorley - VE3ECR. An adequate paper supply would be the only hang-up here.

The Club's financial situation is healthy and will be all the more so when you pay your dues - \$5.00 (full) and \$1.00 (associate).

The treasury, as of the meeting date, was \$81.39.

Bill Klemacki - VE3EEW then mentioned some of the advantages of 2 Metre FM. This relatively new 'modus operandi' is fast taking on the appearance of 'commercial' radio, but, it could also prove interesting, both from the experimental end, and also as a better means of communications with the Search and Rescue Unit when operating mobile. Seventy-five Metres does not work too well at short distances (10 miles) under mobile conditions because of the terrain encountered here. Two Metres FM might be the answer in this case.

Les Harris - VE3AYZ read a letter from Mr. Paul Werk thanking (us) for allowing him to visit the Field Day site. Mr. Werk mentioned that as far as the district EMO communications were concerned, every thing was under control, and our assistance was not needed as far as he could see. However, on the National level, Mr. Fallen is still interested in keeping a close liaison with the amateurs for emergency radio. Don Brown - VE3EDJ is now working with the EMO in organizing their communications in the area.

The meeting concluded rather suddenly, when Les Harris - VE3AYZ started to show slides taken at past Field Days and Search and Rescue exercises. Unfortunately, Murphy decided to intervene and he blew the lamp in the projector. Of course, no spare was at hand, so the meeting was adjourned.